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Hearing: Transit Security Training Procedures

WHO: Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection,
and Cybersecurity
Chairman Dan Lungren (R-CA)

WHEN: 10 a.m., Thursday, September 28, 2006

WHERE: 311 Cannon House Office Building

WITNESSES

PANEL I

Mr. John Sammon
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Mr. Terry Rosapep
Deputy Associate Administrator
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Mr. William Fagan
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Vice President and
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Chief Polly Hanson
Metro Transit Police Department
Washington Metro Area Transit Authority

Mr. Edward Hamberger
President & CEO
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BACKGROUND

On Thursday, September 28, 2006, the Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection and Cybersecurity will convene a hearing to examine the security training programs for mass transit and freight rail personnel across the country. Security training for employees covers a wide array of topics: from suspicious activity recognition to emergency response and passenger assistance. The hearing will focus on the roles and responsibilities of the Federal government in providing training programs and the efforts undertaken by the industry to train their employees. Further, the hearing will examine the scope, relevance and adequacy of these programs and what can be done to improve upon them.

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